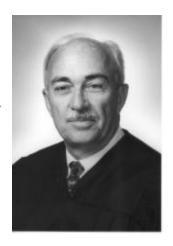# JUDICIAL PROFILE

Kenneth L. Fields is assigned to the Special Assignment Department. He has previously handled civil, juvenile, criminal, probate and family court calendars. From February 1993 through June 1995, he served as the Domestic Relations Department Presiding Judge. Judge Fields, a native of Louisville, Kentucky, obtained a Bachelor's Degree in political science in 1968 from the University of Kentucky. From 1968 to 1971 he served in the U.S. Army. Upon his return from Viet Nam, he attended the College of Law at the University of Kentucky where he obtained his J.D. in December 1973. Upon graduation from law school, Judge Fields was employed with the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington D.C. in its Honors Program with the Criminal Division. In 1976, he was appointed an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Arizona in Phoenix and remained in that position until 1982. At that time, he joined that law firm of Campana and Horne, and was primarily involved in commercial litigation He then worked as a sole practitioner in his own firm until joining the Maricopa County Public Defender's Office in 1984. When Judge Fields left the Public Defender's Office , he formed a partnership with Michael V. Black, in the firm of Fields and Black. He remained with this firm until his appointment to the bench in February, 1989.

Judge Fields was a founding member of the Criminal Justice Section of the State Bar of Arizona in 1979 and served as the section's chairman in 1982 and 1983. He was a founding member, treasurer, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice. He was also the Chief of the General Crime Section of the U.S. Attorney's Office from 1980 to 1982. He received awards from the FBI and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms for his work as an Assistant U.S. Attorney. He was a member of the Law Journal at the College of Law, University of Kentucky. Judge Fields is currently serving as a Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves.